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EDMONTON BULLETIN MAY, 17th, 1901.

## PARLIAMENT.

Ottawa, May 10.  
Monday was entirely taken up with the Manitoba railway bill, and was extended until half past two on Tuesday morning. It was a case of simple plain obstruction on the part of the opponents of the bill. The same list of misrepresentations that were made before the railway committee were repeated, without a single new idea, by Messrs. Puttee, Richardson and Bourassa. Their persistence in attempting to use the rules of parliament to hold up the provinces of Manitoba and thwart the will of parliament itself was worthy of a better cause. Any excuse was seized upon to secure delay, probably the rankest was the request that the discussion should be held over to permit of Charlton, who was absent, lending his voice to the cause of obstruction. This was not needed to, and the bill reached the committee stage before the house adjourned.

When the bill came up again for an hour on Wednesday evening Charlton justified the confidence that had been placed in his capacity for obstruction by talking out the hour—again without bringing out any new point or adding anything to the information of the house. The vote taken on Monday night on Richardson's amendment to refer the agreement back to the Manitoba legislature setled the measure of support which the obstruction is likely to receive. This vote of 80 to 6 was sufficient to settle the determination of the house to pass the bill, a determination which obstructive tactics will strengthen rather than weaken. The plan of campaign of those who are obstructing the bill is based on the supposition that the session will not last more than three weeks longer. According to the rules of the house the only time available for the consideration of private bills is Monday and an hour each on Wednesday, and Friday evenings of each week. If the session is only to last three weeks this would allow only three days and six hours for the discussion of the bill. It is now in the committee stage, and any member can speak as often as he pleases, therefore it would be possible for a few determined men by continuing to speak on the bill reaching its third reading before prorogation. Besides there is the hope that the mere determination of the opposition, with unscrupulous assertions against the bill may produce a scare in the province of Manitoba and start an agitation there which would have an effect on parliament. On the other hand there is no assurance that parliament will prorogue in three weeks; and besides the time the government could afford to allow the business of the country to be held up by such tactics. Irrespective of the merits of the bill the dignity of parliament requires that it shall be passed, and especially such a large majority shall rule, and therefore ensures that particular care will be taken to ensure that the will of the majority shall control. Instead of the obstructive tactics so far pursued having any effect they have only supported the bill they have had the effect of delaying the debate. The members argue that the cause of the bill depends on obstruction instead of argument cannot be very strong on its merits.

On Tuesday the Valleyfield strike was before the house in Montreal, who had charged political partiality to the government, labor bureau, produced affidavits in support of his charge. But the opinion of the house was that they did not sustain the charge in any degree. Especially in view of the contrary affidavits submitted some time before by Mr. Ley, liberal member for Beauharnois in which Valleyfield is situated. This occupied most of the day.

On Wednesday the amendments to the alien labor law were considered at length. It was decided that an application to prosecute under the law must be made to the judge before action can be entered. It was decided that as this was an international question action should not be taken except in well founded cases. To enter suit in this manner is a waste of time and expense.

The vote of an additional subsidy of \$30,000 a year to Prince Edward Island was discussed at length, but was not carried. The members of the house, the grounds for the subsidy were as follows:

"That the island should be allowed to keep up steam passenger and freight communication between the island and the mainland all the year round. This was agreed to for the first fifteen years after confederation and for a long time was considered as possible. During that period the island claimed damages and a new arrangement was made under the straits navigation act, the suggestion of improvements in steam vessels for winter navigation it had become possible to keep up satisfactory communication all the year round which had been done for the past three years. The island was now satisfied with this fulfillment of the terms of confederation, but wanted damages for the years when the terms had not been fulfilled. The terms of the original agreement of the service put on the law to the island from lack of the service. The only difference of opinion between the island members was that the liberals considered the amount while the conservatives thought it was not enough. Clarke and Kemp conservative of Toronto, did not object to the additional subsidy, but objected to the

manner in which the island treated the other provinces in leaving a commercial travellers tax. Now that the Dominion has shown its willingness to do fairly up to the island should return the compliment and act fairly towards the rest of the Dominion. The resolution was agreed to without a division.

The sum given pensions to officers of the permanent military forces was discussed and agreed.

On Thursday Taylor, conservative who made a vicious attack on the minister of public works in connection with the bridge across the Bow River built on Sparks street, Ottawa, for use as offices by the census staff. The building is leased by the government for three years at \$6,500 a year, the government will require to spend about \$100,000 to fit it for the purpose and may purchase it at the end of the lease at a value to be arbitrated. Taylor moved that this was a waste of public money.

The minister of public works argued that as the government only needed the building during the census work it was better to rent than build and that at the valuation and rental of adjoining and similar properties the rental was too great. He also gave the market values of such properties and their rental returns in support of his argument. Taylor's motion was defeated by 33 to 42 on a strictly party division.

The migration estimates were discussed in the evening and the opposition paid particular attention to the London office managed by a Mr. Colmar, regarding which Mr. Prestwich, European Commissioner, Dr. G. G. and others, uncompromisingly evidence. Unfortunately the antipathy of the opposition to Preston was too great to allow of their taking advantage of the opportunity to discredit the London office which it would bring greater character to as worse than useless; and for whose existence and condition the preceding government is chiefly responsible."

## TOWN COUNCIL.

A midnight session characterized Wednesday's meeting of the board of civic government. All members were present.

Under the heading of communications was read a letter from John E. Kelly in which he informed the council of his intention to erect a foundry and machine shop, and asked that he be given a free site and exemption from taxation for ten years. Mr. Kelly was heard in support of his request. The shop he stated, would be thoroughly equipped and building and plant would cost not less than \$10,000. The site he desired was on Fraser avenue, where the merry-go-round and the four-eyed fish held forth last summer. He had an option on the lot for \$11,000. Asked as to the probable extent of the plant he said the machine shop would be 40x30 and "he found 25x30." He was asked to give further particulars as to proposed extent of plant, and will come before the council at a later meeting.

V. E. Tanner, of Winnipeg, wrote asking what inducements the town would hold forth for the establishment of a one-settled woolen mill, and was advised to come up and visit the city.

Dr. Patterson responded and expressed his appreciation of the kindly treatment he had received.

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GRAIN PRICES.

The following Fort William prices are quoted by W. Gibbons & Company, Fort William:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, spot, 79c.

No. 2 hard, spot, 76.1-2c.

Wheat—No. 3 hard, spot, 67.1-2c.

Wheat—No. 3 tough, spot, 63.1-2c.

Oats—Manitoba, 38c to 40c.

Oats—Ontario, 40c to 45c.

The grain market is still suspended.

Mr. Kelsky desired to build a stable and asked for the services of a cutting his logs on the town's property on the river front. As this land is to be Edmonton's park some day, he was refused the privilege.

In the matter of disputed account of Dr. Rey, for which \$50 had been tendered in full, Short & Cross, for the claimant wrote refusing to accept \$50 and demanding the balance of \$25 and demanding to acknowledge any further liability.

For grading on River street D. R. Fraser and Little & Co., sen. in an account for \$100.50. They were offered \$40.00 in full.

Coun. Goodridge, for the hall and manor house, asked that the roof of the manor house be repaired.

Board of works report, as follows, was read and adopted:

The board have authorized a crossing on Howard St., for the new sidewalk on south side of Elizabeth St.

The sidewalks on Elizabeth and May Streets, were inspected and account of Mr. McCullough, contractor, was recommended for payment.

N. D. Beck and C. W. Mathers were allowed street crossings, they proposed of installing and maintaining them.

It was also recommended that all planks in six foot walks have two nail's end of each plank and new walks finished in that way.

"Shall we have crossings over the Riverwalks, the subject of a spirited debate, what at times promised to be heated discussion?" Kinsella thought it was a bad precedent for what if the sidewalk should be broken and some one sustain injury thereto. The board voted to let the contractor proceed with the work.

After the 1st June the license for dogs is due and unless any dog is neutered and destroyed in accordance with the Town By-Law.

GEO. J. KINNAIRD, Secretary-Treasurer.

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Dog Taxes.

Dog tax for 1901 are now due and payable this month, the license for being \$1.00 for each dog and \$8.00 for each bitch. Owners of dogs should call at our office and have them registered and receive a dog tag.

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Public Notice.

MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENT 1901 COURT OF REVISION.

The Council of the Municipality of the Town of Edmonton will sit as a Court of Revision on the 22nd May, 1901, at 9 o'clock A.M.

All appeals against Assessment, 1901, should be notified to me on or before the 21st May, 1901.

By order,

GEO. J. KINNAIRD, Secretary-Treasurer.

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The reports of the first inspector were received and adopted.

The health officer reported no report of any contagious or infectious diseases. Also that up to date there had been more and better cleaning up of yards, etc., than at the same date in any previous year.

Acting is passed.

D. McDonald for sidewalks.

G. Grindeworth, street labor.

Kelly & Beals, 78.25

J. Cryderman, 4.00

J. Cryderman, 1.50

D. B. Frost, lumber.

Electric light, 2.00

Ross Bros., 72.12

Electric light, 16.00

Ross Bros., 85.12

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Ross Bros., 1.50

Ross Bros., 0.00

J. Cryderman, milk, 9.00

J. Cryderman, drying, 9.00

Breckinridge Bros., milk, 19.76

Mrs. Calder, 6.25

Mr. Fowl, 5.50

J. H. Montgomery, 3.50

E. Grierson, wood,

Ross Bros., 1.40

Hallier & Aldridge, 9.30

McDonald & Secord, 31.00

W. H. Clark, 12.00

M. Webb, 19.50

H. Astley, 1.25

The council then adjourned.

MEETING OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

A joint meeting of the Edmonton and Strathcona boards of health was held in the council chamber on Monday last.

Present Couns. Brown, Henry and Godwin and MacLean of Strathcona, Dr. Braithwaite, medical health officer, Edmonton, and Dr. Patterson, government health inspector.

A report was read from Dr. Braithwaite, dealing exhaustively with the recent cholera outbreak.

Dr. Patterson gave a detailed account of the prevailing disease and his personal experience in connection with it. He congratulated the two towns on the successful issue of their efforts and the cooperation practiced in their execution. He said that the trouble was effectively suppressed for the moment, but thought there was a great probability of a recurrence of the outbreak next fall and winter against which he advised a strict and early preparation being taken, a vaccination being repeatedly and freely enforced. He would be pleased to recommend the government to refund a considerable portion of the duty and would assist as far as possible in that direction.

The epidemic being over, it was decided to relieve Dr. McCallum from duty on Wednesday, the 15th inst., and arrangements be made to look after the one patient now in the hospital.

It was moved that Dr. Patterson be recompensed for his services to the united councils of Edmonton and Strathcona in the agreeable manner in which he had discharged his duties.

The chairman, Conn. McLean, (Strathcona) tendered to Dr. Patterson the thanks of both towns for the service and assistance received from him.

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## THE MANITOBA RAILWAY DEAL.

Came before the house on Monday, May 6th, having passed the railway committee after being argued for four full sittings. On the motion to consider the bill in committee of the whole, Puttee, Winnipeg, moved an amendment that the question be referred to a direct vote of the people of Manitoba. He followed this with a speech, chiefly from the Winnipeg newspapers opposing the deal, to show that public opinion was against it. He occupied the whole afternoon.

At the ensuing sitting Richardson, Ligar, took up the parable and made an impassioned appeal to parliament to prevent the ruin of Manitoba by refusing to sanction the bargain. He read into Hansard the letter between the Manitoba government and the Canadian Northern, the Manitoba act, the subject, the protest of the "committee of public safety" which was opposing the bill, and anything else he could find bearing on the question until remonstrating with the floor at half past eleven o'clock. O'Brien followed for three quarters of an hour supporting the deal.

Bourassa then followed for over an hour with a most incendiary speech attempting to arouse sectional feeling against the province.

Puttee's motion was then put and lost on division.

On the motion to go into committee on the repeated Richardson moved in amendment that the bargain be referred back to the legislature of Manitoba. Before making his motion he asked the speaker to adjourn the house and allow the matter to stand over until Wednesday to permit of the presence of Charlton, who was absent, and who was opposed to the deal.

The premier replied that the bill must be presented to him to-day and that Mr. Charlton could make his feelings known on the third reading which would not come up before Wednesday.

Richardson spoke at considerable length in support of his motion which was lost by a vote of 29 to 61. The six who voted for it were: Bourassa, Richardson, Monet, Smith, Puttee and Robinson.

The motion to go into committee was then carried. As the hour was 2:30 on Tuesday morning the house adjourned. The bill comes up again in committee of the whole or the House of Commons for an hour, and will not doubt be obstructed again. So far the opposition has been obstructing pure and simple. All the arguments of the bill were presented in the railway committee and are openly laid bare upon the floor of the house in the hope that the bill can be obstructed until the close of the session, and so prevented from passing by an abuse of rules of the house, in default of better argument.

The following are the remarks by Mr. Frank Oliver (Alberta), I did not at first wish to take any part in the debate, because I was willing to consider that this was very largely a domestic question concerning Manitoba, and not one which concerned us; but those who have opposed the deal have seen fit to assert that it is not a domestic question and have insisted that the members of this house, irrespective of the party to which they belong, should judge the bill upon its own merits. There may be something to be said on behalf of that argument. I have taken the advice given, I have even given some little attention to the deal, and I take the opportunity of disagreeing with those who are opposed to my point of view, upon their own merits, and at the same time discussing some of the arguments that have been made against it.

I would like to point out to the house that both in the railway committee and here, I have opposed the contract as named, in what certainly must be called unmeasured terms, and have been instructed that the house is responsible for this bargain in all its entirety. But we have not been asked to kill the bill again by our vote. If the bargain is half as bad as it is said to be, and if we are responsible for that badness, we have only one duty in the matter and that is to cast a unanimous vote against it and an unanimous transvestite. I say that when those who are opposed to the deal see fit to use such extreme language in denouncing it and then are afraid to follow up that language by the action for which it calls, it argues insincerity on their part or lack of knowledge of the bill.

The question, it seems to me, hinges on this. Have the railway rates in Manitoba been too high in the past, or have they been too low? The rates paid by the province of Manitoba in past years have been too high, then I am bound to admit that this bargain is a very bad bargain, is deserving of all that has been said against it; and I think this house will do less than its duty if it fails to agree to accept it. How are we going to arrive at a conclusion on this subject? How are we going to make up our minds as to whether the railway rates in the province of Manitoba in past years have been too high or have not been too high? What member of this house is sufficiently expert in railway matters to give an answer to this question? I do not pretend to be, but I will bring along a gentleman whom I think will be willing to have a more intimate knowledge of all railroad questions than any other in this Dominion, and a man who certainly places the interest of the railway company with which he has connected over all above and far away and above the interest of any province in this Dominion, or the interest of this Dominion as a whole. Such an authority will surely be able to tell us whether the railway rates in the province of Manitoba are capable of being reduced or not, and still leave profitable earnings to the railway companies operating in that province.

What agreement between the Roblin government and the Canadian Northern railway was announced, the president of the Canadian Pacific railway submitted to the Roblin government a rival or competitive offer, which was accepted, and a copy was thereafter published in the newspapers by the C. P. R. Company, and became common property. This offer was an invasion of the provisions of the railway act on the very point to which so much attention has been drawn. He says:

"Now, if the contract we propose to make, was a discriminatory contract to begin with, it would be bad under the railway act; but we are making a contract which is just and equitable, and applies equally to every person in Manitoba."

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anyway to the people of Manitoba to get the competition of the Canadian Northern railway.

What was the offer of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company? The offer was this: We will give you a reduction of 4 cents per hundred pounds up to grain shipped to Lake Superior; we will give you a reduction of 50 cents per ton on coal brought into the country from Lake Superior; we will give you a reduction of \$2.40 per ton on salt brought into the country; we will reduce the local rates throughout the province of Manitoba 10 per cent; we will take over the Northern Pacific lines which you have leased at the price which you have paid for them, and we will give you an additional cash reduction of 10 per cent on each of the first ten years, a cash bonus of \$50,000 a year for each of the succeeding ten years, and a cash bonus of \$25,000 for each year of the third term of ten years. In addition we will pay the salary of the manager extra \$5,000 per annum, who shall judge as he sees fit the province and ourselves in these matters, and we will build certain specified branch lines of railways without bonus."

I have gone to the trouble of compiling a statement of what these payments in cash and these reductions in rates actually meant to the people of the province of Manitoba. One cent reduction per 100 lbs. of grain is \$6,000 on each million bushels. Let us see how much the railroads of the province pay for export each year. You will see why I understand what this reduction is. According to the Manitoba government returns, the crop of Manitoba was estimated in the year 1900 at 23,000,000 bushels, and that was a very poor year. In 1899 the crop was 24 million bushels; in 1898, 47 million bushels; in 1897, 31 million bushels; in 1896, 29 million bushels, and in 1895, 59 million bushels. It is therefore reasonable to assume that the average yearly export of grain from Manitoba, according to the present acreage under cultivation, is no less than 25 million bushels. A reduction of 4 cents per 100 pounds on 25 million bushels is equivalent to a reduction of a year to the people of Manitoba. I estimate the importation of salt at 4,000 tons per year, and a reduction of \$2.40 per ton would be a gain to the province of \$9,600 a year, a reduction of salt of 10 per cent, an importation of 40,000 tons, a reduction of 50 cents a ton, on which were agreed to be paid on account of the Northern Pacific rentals and divide them by the term of thirty years, for a reduction of 10 per cent, and it would mean that the Canadian Pacific railway was willing to pay to the province of Manitoba, over and above the rental agreed to be paid by that province, a matter of \$18,333 a year in cash. For convenience sake, use the Northern Pacific line. There were to pay a salary of \$5,000 a year. And estimating the number of miles of railway branches which they agreed to build without bonus, and estimating the portion of the provincial traffic which those lines would be entitled, I find that the bonuses which they would give up in connection with the building of those branches, would amount to \$8,265 in cash per year for the thirty years. The offer of the Canadian Pacific railway was to retain a monopoly of the traffic of the province of Manitoba, it is worth \$761,000 to the Canadian Pacific to get this monopoly when they desire it. Tenders to be in not later than Saturday, 14th June, 1901. The bill is now in committee and needs to be accepted. Easy terms to suit purchasers.

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**A WATERWORKS PROPOSITION.**

The question of a waterworks system for the town has taken on a new phase by the forming of a local company with ample capital and a determination to do business if business is to be done. The promoters and shareholders of the company are Messrs. McDougall & Secord, Jnos. Houston, and T. W. Lines. Realizing the great necessity that has existed for many years for a proper waterworks system, a necessity that has become more pronounced each year as the town and its requirements grew and developed, Messrs. McDougall, Secord, Houston, and Lines decided to take the matter up and if possible push it to a conclusion. They are prepared to incorporate themselves as a company with a capitalization of \$160,000, all subscribed. The actual cost of installation of the plant they estimate would be approximately \$15,000. The exact figures it would be impossible to estimate until after the ground had been gone through, over by an expert, who will be engaged by the proposed company just as soon as anything definite can be arranged with the town authorities. With a view to seeing what arrangement, if any, were possible, a meeting of the members of the proposed company and the fire, water and light committees of the town council was held at the office of McDougall & Secord Tuesday night. The company desire a charter for 50 years, pointing out that it will cost them the amount of \$1000 annually they could hope to have the interest paid, and a difficulty arises from the fact that the town under the municipal ordinance has power to allow charters for only ten years. In order to give the company power which would be necessary for them to apply to the legislature for legislation giving increased powers or else to secure incorporation as a city when they would be under the restraints imposed by the ordinance in force. The council, realizing the necessity of an improvement on the present waterworks system and preferring to deal with local men rather than an outside company, is willing to let the proposed company do as far as possible but are unable to take action in time for the present meeting of the legislature. If an arrangement could be arrived at at this meeting the proposed company would consider the advisability of commencing work at once, provided, if the council were unable to get the desired legislation passed that they would buy the company out before the expiration of the ten years.

Speaking of one of the advantages of the waterworks system, Mr. McDougall explained that the present rate for fire insurance on solid risks in town is \$1.00 per \$1000 worth of property. A system of waterworks established such as the company propose to install—the rate would be reduced to \$1.00—most 30 per cent. The combined value of the buildings and stock in town \$750,000. If they had the benefit of waterworks it would be a saving to the town in fire insurance rates alone of \$75,000. He then said Mr. Mc. Dougall stated, would save \$3000 or \$4000 a year on insurance.

It would be a modern and up-to-date and well equipped system.

If an arrangement were reached with the council they would start work and have the system in operation this summer.

Now that the council has an opportunity to meet which they have been striving for the last six years on as favorable terms as they can ever hope to get it, it is devoutly to be desired that they come to an agreement with the proposed company—all the members of which are well known local men with ample capital and ability to carry through any enterprise they may undertake.

**SUPREME COURT.**

Court opened Tuesday, Mr. Justice Rouleau presiding. Tuesday was occupied almost entirely by chamber work and the setting down of cases. The only cases to come up were;

**King vs. Joseph Bellerose.** Charged with breaking into the house of Delmar Bard at Alexander's reserve and stealing \$175. Prisoner pleaded "guilty" and was sentenced to three months hard labor.

**King vs. Alexander Roffey.** Charge assault on Gordon McLaughlin, a nine-year-old boy, came up for hearing Tuesday. Prisoner found guilty of assault and battery and fined \$25.00 or six weeks in goal. He paid the fine.

Yesterday being "Ascension day," and a church holiday, court did not sit.

**Nor Sarchereau** was given two years in the Stone Mountain penitentiary this morning for horse stealing. His lordship gave the prisoner a severe rebuke on the boldness he exhibited in going into a man's stable and stealing the horse and selling it.

The charge against Mr. Emerson Patrick, an employee of the Deering Co., for stealing one brown mare, the property of W. F. Cameron, Strathcona, was investigated this morning, the case being dismissed.

The Montgomery case for "arson, which it is expected will take four or five days, is up for hearing this afternoon.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE ORDINANCE.**

The following bills, amendments, or additions to the ordinances, are before the legislative assembly for consideration at its present session:

An ord'nance for expediting the decision of constitutions' and other legal questions. Mr. Haultain.

An ordinance respecting water, gas, electric and telephone companies. Mr. Haultain.

An ordinance respecting the department of public works. Mr. Sifton.

An ordinance to remove certain doubts as to the effect of chapter 37 of the ordinances of 1898 intended to extend to municipalities chapter 39 of the ordinances of 1898 intituted "an ordinance respecting local improvement." Mr. Haultain.

An ordinance respecting steam boiler. Mr. Sifton.

**LOCAL.**

—D. Allison, sergeant in Strathearn's Horse, and formerly of Edmonton's returned from the south last night.

—A picnic will be given under the auspices of the Sturgeon Presbyterian church on the church grounds at the Sturgeon on June 20th.

—The gold dredge "Alberta" began warping down the river to the position where she will commence work is now below Fraser's mill.

—Sidney T. Hubbard was married Saturday to Miss Flora Fraser, at All Saint's church, the service being performed by Rev. H. A. Grey.

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—W. A. Ponton, surveyor of the Indian department, is in the city, a guest at the Clarendon hotel. He is on his way to the Lesser Slave lakes to survey the district. He leaves for the west today.—Free Press, May 10th.

—While J. Hay and a brother workman were engaged in the erection of G. Berg's new residence the scaffolding on which they were working, gave way, precipitating them to the ground. They sustained painful, though, not fatal injuries.

—**AFRICA EXPORTS FOR EDMONTON.**

|                          |                |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| Wheat,                   | 76,140 lbs.    |
| Barley,                  | 4,500 lbs.     |
| Oats,                    | 1,743,780 lbs. |
| Potatoe,                 | 1,290 lbs.     |
| Potatoes,                | 76,700 lbs.    |
| Flour,                   | 36,420 lbs.    |
| Millstuffs,              | 345,920 lbs.   |
| Butter,                  | 5,670 lbs.     |
| Lumber,                  | 144,560 lbs.   |
| Shingles,                | 3,300 lbs.     |
| Brick,                   | 2,400 lbs.     |
| Agricultural implements, | 14,620 lbs.    |
| Beer,                    | 23,320 lbs.    |
| Cattle,                  | 140,000 lbs.   |
| Hogs,                    | 140,000 lbs.   |

GUN CLUB SHOOT.

The following are the scores made at the weekly shoot of the Edmonton Rod and Gun club at their traps on the old race track, Tuesday night;

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| G. Morris,    | 9 |
| J. H. Morris, | 9 |
| P. Peterson,  | 8 |
| J. Turner,    | 8 |
| Geo. Gouin,   | 6 |
| B. Spratt,    | 5 |
| J. Turbulent, | 5 |
| G. Corriveau, | 4 |
| W. L. Murray, | 4 |
| R. Matz,      | 3 |
| H. Moller,    | 3 |

The regular shoot of the club takes place every Tuesday night.

Immediately after the shoot next Tuesday the annual meeting of the club will take place.

KOTENAY PRICES, MAY 11.

Receipts of dairy butter are light. Eggs plentiful and of good quality. Prices remain unchanged. Trade is

Butter—Fresh Ontario creamy, 24 to 25c; dairy, choice, 22c.

Eggs—12c.

Oats—Per ton, \$30.

Milled—Bar, \$20; shorts, \$22, per ton.

Flour—Manitoba patent, \$5.20.

Hay—Per ton, \$18.

Potatoes—Per ton, \$24.

A large mining deal was closed recently in Port Arthur, Mr. J. W. Boyd, buyer, completing arrangements with Messrs. (Capt.) Pritchard and Tremblay and associated in the purchase of the copper deposits in Black Bay, for Boston capitalists. The price to be paid is \$100,000. This deal has been pending for some time. During the winter Boyd visited the property and secured samples which must have proved satisfactory to the Boston people, as after Mr. Boyd's trip to the east he immediately closed this deal.

The deal is the same as the Calumet and Hecla mines and this fact alone is said to have decided the eastern purchasers.

In the Imperial house of commons recently Sir John Gorst, the vice-president of the board of trade, introduced the education bill. He explained that the bill was intended to bring the chaotic educational system of the United Kingdom into unity. Mr. Bryce, liberal, called it a "gigantic, costly and scheme" but admitted it first made without a division.

The bill had a fairly cordial reception. The liberals will make considerable efforts to get it amended, and as it is a federal bill, the government is determined to pass the bill during the present session, it is probable the session will be prolonged.

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**NEW SETTLERS.**

The following settlers have arrived since last issue; A. Maxham, Vermont; James Williams, Washington; William Field, England; A. Warnock, England; Frank Staats, Nebraska; S. Perine, wife and daughter, Ontario. Homeseekers.

T. N. Thorsen, O. S. Etland, Louis Basen, H. C. Hansen, O. Hansen, O. Lund, arrived since Monday.

**MANITOBA OAT MARKET.**

Commercial.

Oats—There is a steady demand for oats for feed purposes and there is still some demand for seed oats. Ontario grades are being used to fill the market. Manitoba oats for feeding have advanced 10c in price. We quote prices now as follows: Ontario oats, No. 2 white, 40c per bushel; Alberta oats, 41 to 43c; Manitoba grades, 33c to 40c in carlots on track here.

Oats, a year ago, were quoted in carlots on track at 30c to 32c.

**HOTEL ARRIVALS.**

Victoria—J. E. Vian, John A. Brown, Westkawin; Thos. F. Shannon, Rapid City, Ia.; Miss Rowland, E. Broseman, Bellville; D. J. Renault, L. Levesque, A. Leprince, Nestor Noel, St. Albert; H. W. Howe, Edmonton; Dan Brox, Spruce Grove; R. E. Beardson, Ottawa; Harry R. Poser, Thor, Bradshaw, T. Watt, Vermilion River; B. Foster, Regina; James Brown, Lucas, Ont.; P. W. Ault, Hannah, S. D.; L. Lemire, Morinville; G. H. Manuel, town; P. B. Culiffre, Walter Ross, Jacob Becker, M. Mercere, Fort Saskatchewan.

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